(ख) इन एजेंसियों द्वारा संचालित डाक वस्तुओं की संख्या के बारे में जानकारी न होने के कारण सरकार द्वारा उठाए गए खर्च का मूल्यांकन करना संभव नहीं है।

(ग) जी हां। भारतीय डाक घर अधिनियम की व्यवस्था के अंतर्गत मुकदमा चलाने के लिये मामलों की रिपोर्ट पुलिस में की जाती है ताकि ये एजेंसियां अपनी गतिविधियां चालू न रख सकें।

LPG distribution

2161. DR. SHYAM SUNDAR MOHAPATRA; Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the existing limitations to the administrative ability of Oil Companies in respect of bringing about a better system of domestic gas distribution;

(b) whether Government are considering the 'abolition of the Cash-and-Carry Scheme, in veiw of its failure;

(c) whether any survey has been conducted to find out as to the number of phone calls that a consumer has to make to order for gas cylinder;

(d) what steps Government have taken to initiate action against erring gas agencies;

(e) whether any corrupt practice has been unearthed between Oil Companies officials and gas agencies; and

(f) if not, what are the reasons for the continued callousness on the part of gas companies towards the public?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) Occasional disruption of LPG supplies occurs owing to industrial relations problems as well as constraints relating to bottling capacity and transportation arrangements.

(b) While home delivery of LPG refills continues to be general rule, the cash and carry scheme has been introduced by the Oil companies on an experimental basis in certain markets in the country. No final decision as to the continuance or otherwise of the cash and carry system has been made.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) to (f) Complaints relating to LPG distributorships and officials of the oil companies are enquired into and appropriate action is taken. Action against erring distributors under the Marketing Discipline Guidelines ranges from caution|warr.ins letters and debit for missing equipments to termination of distributorships.

Closure of Ramagundam Thermal Power Station

2162. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI:
SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that Ramagun-dam Super Thermal Power Station was closed down on November 18 and 19, 1985 due to the sudden stoppage of coal supply by the Singareni collieries Ltd.;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what is the quantum of loss as a result of the closure;

(c) whether Singareni Collieries Limited was found guilty of under-weighment of coal supplied to this power station; and

(d) if so, what new weighing system Government propose to introduce to ensure against underweighment and what measures Government propose to take to prevent such closure in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (d) Certain discrepancies have been noticed in the weight of coal recorded by the electronic belt weigher installed by the Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd. (SCCL), in the light of which deductions were made by the National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) from the coal bills raised on them. Supplies of coal to the Ramagun-dam Super Thermal Power Station of the